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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1883.

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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,

LIMITED.

VIA HOIHOW.

Ports on THURSDAY, the 20th Inst., at

4 p.m., instead of as previously advertised.

The Co.'s Steamship

" Thales."

# AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Land, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & Gorch, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES Handy & Co., 37, Welbrook, E.C. SAMURE DEACON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street. PARIS AND EUROPE -GALLIEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 21, Park AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-

bourne and Sydney. BAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally :- BEAN & BLACK, San Fran-SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c. :- SAYLE &

CHINA: - Macao, Messrs A. A. DE MELLO Swatow, Quelch & Amoy, Wilson, Nicholis & Foochow, HEDGE & Co. Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY of the sea, should be visible in clear weather & WAISH, Yokohama, Lane, URAW-PORD & Co.

#### Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKIN CORPORATION.

Instalment received on New SHARES

85,926,765.69 

INSTALMENT OF PREMIUM POserved on New SHARES... \$3,198,336.43

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman-WM. REINERS, Esq. Deputy Chairman W. S. Young, Esq. L. DALRYMPLE, A. P. McEWEN, Esq. A. Molver, Esq. W. H. FORDES, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq. M. E. Sassoon, Eaq. Gilizzow, Esq. Hon. F. B. Johnson.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong......THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. MANAGER. Shanghai,.......... Ewen Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKERS. - London and County

HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED. of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily

balance. For Fixed Deposits :-For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum: 4 per cont.

5 per cent. " LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED; Credits granted on approved Securities and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Drafts granted on London, and chief Commercial places in Europe, India,

Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, August 25, 1883.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TIHE Undersigned begs to give Notice that he has SOLD the STOCK-IN-TRADE and GOODWILL of the Business of the late JOHN NOBLE to Measrs, C. J. GAUPP & Co.

JOHN S. COX, Administrator to the Estate of the late JOHN NOBLE.

TX/ITH Reference to the above, we beg CHASED the BUSINESS of the late described in the printed List of the Chinese JOHN NOBLE, which will be carried on Lighthouses, Light-vessels, Buoys and Beain the present Premises and under the cons. This List is published each year with same Style as heretofore, and having now the largest and best Assorted Stock of WATCHES and JEWELLERY in the Messrs. Kelly & Walsh in Hongkons. Colony, we trust to receive the Continuance Shanghai and Yokohama, of the Patronage bestowed upon our Pro-

CHAS. J. GAUPP & Co. Hongkong, November 19, 1883.

## Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS,

Second and Final BONUS of Five per cent on Contributions, and DIVIDEND of Eighteen Dollars and TWENTY-NINE CENTS per Share for the year 1882, will be Payable on MONDAY, the 22nd Instant.

WARRANTS may be had on application at the OFFICE of the Society on and after that

By Order of the Board, DOUGLAS JONES,

Acting Secretary

Hongkong, October 22, 1883. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with Approval of the Consulting Committee, will on 1st January, 1884. 11 Laur INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, Payable at the Hongkong & Shang. HAT BANK, the same being at the Rate of 10 % per Annum, on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1883, and Notice is hereby given that in Order that the same may be adjusted the Transfer BOOKS of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th ON and after the 1sr October, the to 81st Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co... General Agents CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. Hongkong, December 12, 1883,

#### Intimations.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. No. 179.

> CHINA SEA. CHEFOO DISTRICT.

SOUTH-EAST- SHANTUNG PROMONTORY

LIGHTHOUSE. NTOTICE is hereby given that the Lighton the South-East Shantung Promon-TORY was exhibited for the first time at

sunset on the 28th ultimo. The illuminating apparatus is Revolving Co., Square, Singapore. C. Heinszen Dioptrie of the First Order, showing White flashes at half minute intervals. The Lighthouse stands on the southeastern elbow of the island known as the

South-east Promontory, and the Light, which is clevated 961 feet above the level at a distance of 15 to nautical miles. The tower is round, of fron, 50 feet high, with a total height from its base to the

lantern vane of 771 feet. The tower is painted in red and white horizontal bands, the keepers' dwellings and the boundary wall are white.

Approximate position :--Latitude ........ 36' 54' 00" N. Longitude....... 122 31 45 E. Fog Signal.

A First-class Siren, giving a blast of about 4 seconds, duration at intervals of 14 minutes, will be sounded during thick or foggy weather.

Regarding the island which forms the Southeast Promontory, the China Sea Directory, Vol. III., 1874, p. 463, states that :- "Extensive reefs, some detached, border the whole shore, which is of the most dangerous character and should not he passed at less than a mile, except off the western bluff, nor in less than 9 fathoms

By Order of the Inspector-General of Customs. A. M. BISBEE. Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs. Coast Inspector's Office, Shanghai, 5th December, 1883.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. No. 180.

CHINA SEA. N Current Deposit Account at the rate Fog Signals AT FISHER ISLAND LIGHT. HOUSE AND OTHER STATIONS.

> NTOTICE is hereby given that on and after the 1st January, 1884, the Foo SIGNAL AT FISHER ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE. which at present is two guns with an interval of ten minutes between them, will be two guns with an interval of five minutes between them, and that when the Signal has to be repeated a space of ten minutes will be allowed to clapse between the last gun of one signal and the first gun of the

It is also notified that when there is TITE HAVE JUST RECEIVED AND ARE NOW SHOWING THE FOLLOWING occasion to repeat the Fog Gun Signal at the following Light-stations (at which no interval between signals has hitherto been established) the time between the last gun of one signal and the first gun of the next will be as shown below, on and after the 1st January, 1884.

Name of Light Station. Interval between Signals, Lamocks Lighthouse. 12 minutes. Chapel Island '11 Ockseu Turnabout Middle dog Shaweishan .. N.E. Shautung Promontory Lighthouse.

The Foo Gun Signals for all the Lights to Notify that we have PUR- at which they have been established are corrections to the 30th November of the preceding year, and may be bought of

> By Order of the Inspector-General of Customs. A. M. BISBEE.

> Coast Inspector. Imperial Maritime Customs, Coast Inspector's Office.

Shanghai, 7th December, 1883.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. •

ITHE FOURTH and FINAL CALL of £10 Sterling per Share on the 20,000 Shares, NEW ISSUE of this Corporation, will fall due on the 31st December Current,

in London, Calcutta, Bombay, Shanghai and through the Suez CANAL in QUARANTINE, REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS entitled to The Homeward Mails are now being landed NEW SHARES, are requested to Pay, at at Venice, but the Quarantine which is the centre of the principal the respective Offices, the above Callor its still imposed at this and all other Contine Business localities and commands a magniequivalent in the Currency of the above- ENTAL PORTS prevents the landing of Pas-

mentioned places. sengers, and those travelling by the Com-PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES are being ispany's Steamers are advised to remain on. sued in Exchange for the First Call Receipts. board the Vessel which calls at MARSEILLES which are to be surrendered to the Bank, en route-stopping a few hours only to dis-HOLDERS OF PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES. charge Cargo-and proceed in her direct to when paying this Call, will please send same LONDON, thus avoiding all QUARANTINE modation. delays and inconveniences.

to this Office to be endorsed. The Rate of Exchange for Hongkong is fixed at 3/- 81d. or \$53.93 per Share. accelerated, and they will not call at MALTA INTEREST at the Rate of 7 % per Annum or GIBRALTAR. will be Charged on Calls unpaid on the SIST DECEMBER:

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, December 13, 1883. HONGKONG TOE COMPANY

LIMITED. NOTICE

PRICE of ICE will be REDUCED ro 11 Cents per pound. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

All Kinds of PERFUMES and TOILET General Managers. Hongkong, September 15, 1883.

## For Sale.

HAVE NOW ON VIEW A LARGE ASSORTMENT

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

ARTICLES SUITABLE GOODS

Comprising :-

Jowel Cases.

Perfumo Casca.

Presentation Books.

Fancy Pipes and Cigar Tubes.

New Embossed Statuary,

Afternoon Tea Services,

China Figures and Vasce.

Flower Brackets and Baskets.

Protty Ten and Coffee Sets.

New Electro-Plated Ware.

Coffee and Tea Services.

Flower and Fruit Stands.

New Centre Pieces.

Wachter's Royal

Champagne.

Choice Bordenux Wines.

After Dinner Port.

Desgort Sats.

Krug's Private Cuveo Champagno.

Lemoine's Vin Brut Champagne.

Dry Sherries.

Burgundies.

Liquours, Brandies and Whiskies:

Mocka.

Tôte à Tête Sets.

Flower Stands.

Table Decorations, latest designs and

A Handsome Drawing-room Fountain.

Duplex Lamps in newest designs.

Cabinet and Scrap Albums.

Menu and Guest Cards?

Salad Bowls and Helpers.

Champagne.

Sparkling Moselle.

SAYLE & Co.

FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

NEW GOODS:-

NEW DESIGNS in BRUSSELS CARPETS with BORDERS and RUGS to Match

A Large and Choice Assortment of AXMINSTER and SEIN HEARTH RUGS.

A Large Stock of BRASS and IRON BEDSTEADS.

Single and Double PERAMBULATORS.

The New "PATENT AIR LAMPS."

COIR MATS.

AUSTRIAN BENT WOOD FURNITURE.

COCOA MATTING, all widths.

FLOORCLOTHS for Halls, Rooms and Passaces.

SAYLE & Co.,

Intimations.

HOP SHING & Co.,

ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS,

COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON

FOUNDERS, &c.,

WEST POINT IRON WORKS.

TTAVING This Day commenced Bust-

of the above Descriptions under the Super-

Orders executed with the utmost despatch

VICTORIA HOTEL.

Proprietors:

DORABJEE & HING KEE,

late Lessees of the Hongkong Hotel.

MHIS HOTEL is situated on the Praya

ficient view of the Harbour and surround-

ing scenery. From its detached position,

perfect ventilation has been secured, and

ous and Furnished with every Requisite

and Comfort, afford most desirable Accom-

DINING ROOMS, are fitted up in a

Superior manner, and are all under Eu-

ropean Supervision and Management.
The TABLE D'HOTE is supplied with

every delicacy of the Season, and most

Brands only are supplied. Arrangements

for BALLS, BANQUETS, DINNERS

and PIONIOS made on the most Reason-

able Terms. The long and almost exclu-

sive experience of the Proprietors, and

With every facility for making suitable

for permanent or weekly Boarders, the

Proprietors confidently appeal to the Com-

munity of Hongkong for a continuance of

the generous Patronage Bestowed on them

WINES and

Qualities and

satisfactory attendance.

LIQUORS of the best

be given in this Branch,

during the past eleven years.

Hongkong, November 20, 1883,

The BAR, BILLIARD ROOM, and

vision of an Experienced European.

and at moderate terms.

24th September, 4883.

NESS, are ready to undertake Work

VICTORIA. EXCHANGE.

Epergnes.

Children's Annuals.

Fitted Travelling Bags.

Work Bags and Baskets.

Real Turtle Soup. Salmon Cutlets. Kippered Salmon. Herrings & la Sardines. Sardines an Citron.

French tinned Larks.

Assorted French Patés.

Herrings in White Wine. Mackerel in White Wine. French Truffles. Assorted English Patties. Paté de Foie Gras. Truffled Chickens in Jelly.

Petits Pois. Champignons. Pudding and Sultana Raisins Peci for Mincemeats. Christmas Hams. Christmas Cakes.

Plum Buddings. Ripe Stiltons. Port du Salut Choese. Gruyère Cheese. Gorgonzola Checse.

Barcelona and Brazil Nuts.

Double Gloster Cheese. French Pluma Fruits in Noycau and Brandy. Crystallized Fruits. Elva's Plums. Muscatel Raisins.

Best French Confectionery. Bonbons and Dragees. Bonbonnièrs for Christmas Trocs. French Chocolates. Nowest Cosaques and Crackers. French and English Toys,

Machanical Toys, Electric Toys, French and English Dolls. Out-door Games.

Christmas and New Year Cards. Hongkong, December 3, 1883.

Eiderdown QUILTS and PILLOWS.

Hongkong, December 4, 1883.

Intimations.

WILLIAM DOLAN.

SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,

22, PRAYA CENTEAL

MOTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS,

CORK JACKETS.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND

CONTINENTAL PORTS.

thus avoiding any detention in EGYPT.

The Passages of the Steamers will be

Hongkong, September 6, 1883.

SEE WOO.

TAILOR, DRAPER & OUTFITTER

Has just Received by French Mail,

TWEED HATS,

(of all shapes).

All Sorts of GENTLEMEN'S WINTER

CLOTHING, &c., &c.

Hongkong, December 3, 1883,

DRAB FELT HATS, AND

No. 55, Queen's ROAD CENTRAL,

A. MoIVER,

Superintendent.

RRANGEMENTS have been made for

passing the Company's Steamers

&c., &c., &c.

OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS,

MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN

Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

TRAVELLING RUGS in great variety.

Ebony and Walnut COAL VASES.

Intimations.

NOTICE. HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself in this Colony as a SHARE and GENERAL BROKER.

HECTOR SAMPSON. Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

AGENCE DE HONGKONG.

IROM this date and during my Absence from the Colony, the Agency will be ESENTS conducted by Mr. I. MARTIN. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

> Hongkong, December 14, 1883. To Let.

ODOWNS\_TO LET PRAYA EAST AND WANGHAI ROAD.

For Particulars, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, April 26, 1882.

TO LET. THE PREMISES now occupied by us No. 11, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Osler's Artistic China and Glassware. For further Particulars apply to Mesers.

Russell & Co. GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, August 1, 1883.

For Sale.

C. L. THEVENIN. WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT,

HONGKONG HOTEL BUILDING, HAS FOR SALE Fine Assortment of WHITE and RED BURGUNDIES :- GRAND HERMIT-AGE, CHAMBERTIN, POMMARD, RICHEBOURG.

Deutz and Geldermann's Gold Lack CHABLIS, Pints and Quarts, &c., &c. OLD PORT, SHERRY, WHISKEY COGNAC, Assorted LIQUEURS and SY RUPS; PERFUMERY, &c., &c., &c.

> FOR SALE. ULES MUMM

Hongkong, October 17, 1883.

CHAMPAGNE. Quarts ...........\$18 per 1 doz. Case. Pints......\$19 per 2 doz. ,, GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, November 1, 1881. NOW ON SALE. CHINESE DICTIONARY

Dr. E. J. EITEL.

CANTONESE DIALECT.

CROWN OCTAVO, PP. 1018. Hongkong; 1877-1883.

Part IV. T-Y, ... A Reduction of ten per cent, will be

allowed to purchasers of Ten or more copies. This Standard Work on the Chinese Language, constructed on the basis of Kanghi's Imperial Dictionary, contains all Chinese characters in practical use, and while alphabetically arranged according to the sounds tonese, it gives also the Mandarin pronun-

of the oldest dialect of China, the Canciation of all characters explained in the book, so that its usefulness is by no means confined to the Cantonese Dialect, but the work is a practically complete Thesaurus of the whole Written Language of China, ancient and modern, as used all over the Empire, whilst its introductory chapters serve the purposes of a philological guide

to the student. . A Supplement, arranged for being bound and used by itself, and containing a List of the Radicals; an Index, and a List of Surnames, will be published and sold separately.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, January 15, 1883.

TAIVE Hundred to Six Hundred Tons COKE and COAL TAR, in lots to suit, from one ton upwards. CHOY CHEW.

FOR SALE CHEAP.

230, Praya West. Hongkong, June 18, 1883.

RODERICK DHU WHISKY. Pure. Fine-Flavoured Blend, Equal in Bouquet and Style to the Finest FRUNCH BRANDY,

Sole Agent, Hongkong, C. L. THEVENIN. Hongkong, October 19, 1883.

the whole of the ROOMS being Commodi-THE REPORT OF THE TRIAL OF LOGAN AT CANTON that appeared in the China Mail has been printed in PAM-PHLET FORM, and is now on Sale .-Price, 30 Cents. Hongkong, October 3, 1883.

> Notices to Consignees. NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM BATAVIA AND SAIGON. MHK Steamship Comorid having arrived

the wide Reputation they have gained, are from the above Ports, Consignees CHRISTY'S BLACK, BROWN AND a sufficient guarantee that satisfaction will of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take imme-Arrangements at Reasonable Prices, either diste delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge will be al once landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense.

> JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Hongkong, December 15, 1883,

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY.

the 18th December, 1883, at 2 p.m., at his FOR SINGAPORE AND MAURITIUS, Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,-AN ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE WARE

comprising VASES, JARS, CARD DISHES, INCENS BURNERS, PLATES, TEA SETS, EGG-SHELL WARE, BRONZES, ORNAMENTS, EMBROIDERIES,

TERMS OF SALE. -As customary. J. M. ARMSTRONG.

Auctioneer. Hongkong, December 13, 1883. 1123

PUBLIC AUCTION OLD CHINESE PORCELAINS,

BRONZES, JADES, &c., &c. THE Undersigned will offer FOR SALE by Public Auction, on FRIDAY

767 the 21st December, 1883, the Sale commencing at 10.30 a.m., pausing at Noon, and resuming at 2 p.m.,-VERY FINE AND EXTENSIVE COLLECTION OF

> OLD CHINA WARE, CURIOS, &c. The same having just arrived in this Colony from the NORTH of CHINA, being a very careful and valuable collection made in PEKIN and the NORTHERN PROVINCES of CHINA, and compris-

> OLD MING LACQUER, OLD PORCELAINS from the Mine Dynasty, the reigns of the Emperois Kang-hi, Yung-chubn and Kien-LUNG in Five-colouned and Blue and WHITE VASES, JARS, DISKES, PLATES BOWLS, PURE BLACK KANG-HI and BLACK and Gold Kien-Lung Vases, Sang de Bœue and FRAMBOISE PORCELAINS. OLD BRONZES. BAMBOO CARVINGS, and quantity of very fine Jape, Old Pekis

> ENAMELS [CLOSSONNE] CURIOS, &c. And some good specimens of PORCELAIN of more modern manufacture.

Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale, and the above will be on view on Thursday, the 20th Instant. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash on delivery.

G. R. LAMMERT. Auctioneer. Hongkong, December 7, 1883.

POSTPONEMENT. "G. C. TRUFANT,"

TIO HE SOLD, at MARILA, by PUBLIC AUCTION, without reserve, for account of the concerned. On a Day to be named hereafter,

THE BRITISH SHIP "G. C. T.R U F A N T." As she now lies at her anchors in Manila Bay. Hull, Masts, Spars, Riccing, Sails, Anchors and Cables, and all her other FURNITURE and APPAREL in

One Lot. Conditions of Sale may be had of LLOYDS' AGENTS,

3rd December, 1883.

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY LIMITED. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship

Capt. S. Ashron, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 19th Inst., at Daylight, For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, December 15, 1883.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY FOR SHANGHAL (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates

for CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIEN. TSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship will be despatched on o about the 19th Instant,

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, December 12, 1883. • NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS

The Co.'s Steamship Commandant THLIER will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from

G. DE CHAMPEAUX. Agent Hongkong, December 7, 1883.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship Commandant BENOIS, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Hongkong, December 7, 1883,

Agent.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, December 10, 1883, UNION LINE.

despatched for the above.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL The Steamship Captain Arnsule, will be despatched for the above Port on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 12, 1883. 1110.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL The Co.'s Steamship "Priam." Captain Buriers, will be despatched on or about

the 23rd Instant. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, December 12, 1883. 1112 FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL

The Steamship

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, December 10, 1883.

PANY, LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS-LAND PORTS, and taking through

Captain Thom, will be despatched as above on The Steamship TUESDAY, the 8th January, 1884, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

General Managers. Hongkong, December 15, 1883.

FOR NEW YORK. The 3/3 L.1.1. American Ship " Oneida," CARVER, Master, will load here

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 5, 1883.

The A 1 British Barque 44 Alice Mary. Davis, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

Notices to Consignees. FROM LONDON, PENANG AND

THE Steamship Glenavon having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods-with the exception of Opium-are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be ob-

20th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

THE Steamship Pembrokeshire, DAVIES, Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godown of the Undersigned, at Wanchai, No. 9, behind the premises known as "Blue Buildings," whence and/or from the Wharves or Boata delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless notice to the contrary be given before

No Claims will

remaining subject to

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Captain Jacons, will be despatched as above on or about the 26th Instant.

THE AUSTRALASIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND STRAITS STEAMSHIP COM-

Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND and TASMANIAN PORTS, NEW CALEDONIA and FLIL)

RUSSELL & Co.,

Sailing Vessels.

for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

FOR VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Hongkong, December 11, 1883.

SINGAPORE.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless Jotice to the contrary be given before Noon To-DAY, the 13th December. 'Cargo remaining undelivered, after the

Hongkong, December 13, 1883. 1115 SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS. FROM LONDON, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE

1 p.m. To-DAY. Goods have lef

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

No. 53, Queen's Road East, (OPPOSITE THE COMMISSALIAT), NOW LANDING FROM AMERICA.

ALIFORNIA RACKER OMPANY'S BISCUITS in 6 fb tins, and loose.

Small HOMINY. Cracked WHEAT. OATMEAL.

CORNMEAL. TOPOCAN BUTTER.

Soda BISCUITS.

Apple BUTTER. Eastern and Californian CHEESE. CODFISH. Boncless. Prime HAMS and BACON. Eagle Brand Condensed MILK. Family BEEF in 25 to kegs. Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans. Cutting's Dossert FRUITS in 21 th cans. Assorted Canned VEGETABLES

Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage Stuffed PEPPERS. Assorted SOUPS. Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted

MEATS. Lunch HAM. Lambs' TONGUES. Clam CHOWDER. Fresh OREGON SALMON. Dried APPLES. TOMATOES. SUCCOTASH. Maple SYRUP. Goldon SYRUP. LOBSTERS. OYSTERS. HONEY. Assorted JELLIES.

Green CORN.

SCALES. FAIRBANKS'

400 lb, Capacity.

CORN BROOMS. OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS. AXES and HATCHETS.

AGATE IRON WARE. WAFFLE IRONS. SMOOTHING IRONS.

PAINTS and OILS. TALLOW and TAR. VARNISHES.

## DEVOE'S NONPARIEL BRILLIANT

150° test.

KEROSINE OIL.

Ex late Arrivals from ENGLAND. A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF

> STORES, including: CHRISTMAS CAKES.

PLUM PUDDINGS. MINCEMEAT. ALMONDS and RAISINS

Crystallized FRUITS. TEYESONEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS. Pudding RAISINS. Lante CURRANTS.

> Fine YORK HAMS. PICNIC TONGUES. PATE DE FOIE GRAS. SAVORY PATES.

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Assorted BISCUITS. THE S.S. TAKACHIHO MARU, Capt. Nyz, due here on or about the 16th Instant, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 21st December, at 4 p.m. Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized.

CARGO and PASSENGERS for Yokohama will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe. For further Particulars, apply at Company's OFFICES, Praya Central, Ground Floor of Messrs Russell & Co.

Hongkong, December 12, 1883.

H. J. H. TRIPP.



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FFIHE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM TAGE NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship KAISAR-I-HIND, Captain E. G. STEAD, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, via BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on TUESDAY, the 25th December, at 4 p.m.

Cargo will be received on board until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Silk and Valuables for Europe will be

transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed vid Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct mute vid Colombo. For further Particulars, regarding

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pany's Black Bills of Lading. N. B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for MARSEILLES.

A. MoTVER, Superintendent. Hongkong, December 12, 1883.

## Insurances.

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to GRANT POLICIES ON MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current

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Tablean 1

Scene 1 .- Fritz's arrival by Ship at Castle

Garden, N.Y .- The Stealing of Katrina.

Tableau 2.

The Rescue. - Fritz out - The Colonel at

Home.- "Do You think a Dutchman

is a D—Fool?"

Tableau 3.

FRITZ AT HOME.

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I know you was fooling.

Dot Toy Harmonia.

The Entertainment in the Garden.

The Vision of Long-The Recognition-

Fritz finds a long-lost Sister-The Arres

Tableau 5.

The Great Trial Scene.

The Fox caught in his own Trap-Fritz

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Friendly Visit-Fritz and his Boy

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Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

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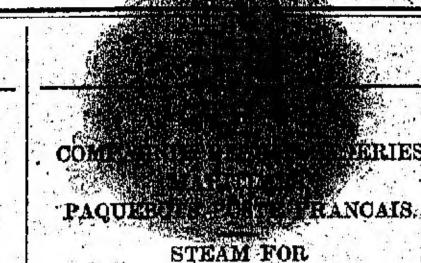
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SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA. COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

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TUESDAY, the 18th December, 1883, at Noon, the Company's SINDH, Commandant Lequence, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE. and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marsoilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon of 17th December. Cargo will be received on board until p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 17th December. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the

Agency's Office.)

SCHNEIDER (Fritz's Contents and value of Packages are re-For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Miss Chaffon ..... n Myra Syddons. KATRINA .... " Victoria Loftus:

Hongkong, December 6, 1883.

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Agents, Hongkong & Canton. 100 Fritz's Home-Clouds and Sunshine-The Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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KOBE AND NAGASAKI. ONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature,

and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remainng on board after Tuesday, the 18th Instant, will, be landed and stored at Consignees risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Mitau Bishi Mail S. S. Co. Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

To-day's Advertisements. To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CARD OF THANKS.

THE Managers and Members of the Lorrus Trouge take this opportunity to thank the GENTLEMEN AMATUERS who so kindly appeared in "LA MASCOTTE," on Friday Evening Last, thereby causing the production to be the most decided success WEDNESDAY EVENING. of the season.

Most Respectfully; DAVIS & D'ANGELIS, Directors of Loftus Troupe.

Theatre Royal. Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

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22nd Instant, at 11 a.m. His Excellency the Governor has kindly consented to Contributions of Prizes, or towards the Endowment Fund of the School will be thankfully received. Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

IT ONGKONG HOTEL BREAKFAST - - - 8.30 A.M. TIFFIN - - - - 1.00 r.m. DINNER - - - 7.30 " Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

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ANNETTIN, Italian barque, Captain F.Repetto.—Musso & Co. ANTIOCH, American barque, Capt. J. D. The Wyman.—Order. CHI YUEN, Chinese steamer, Capt Wallace.—C. M. S. N. Co. . . DANUBE, British steamer, Captain J.

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SHIPPING.

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ARRIVALS. Dec. 16, Glaucus, British steamer, 1647, Jackson, Swatow Dec. 15, Ten, &c .-BUTTERFIELD & SWIKE. Dec. 16, St. Ideuc, French barque, from Whampoa,

Dec. 16, H.M.S. Linnet, from Canton. Dec. 16, Kow-shing, British steamer, 1354, D. Webster, Shanghai Dec. 13, General. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Doc. 16, Takachiho Maru, Japanese str. 1407, C. Nye, Kobe Dec. 9, and Nagasaki II. General -M. B. M. S. S. Co. Dec. 16, Hwai Yiten, Chinese steamer, 984, Wilson, Shanghai Dec. 13, General.

-C. M. S. N. Co. Dec. 16, Don Juan, Spanish steamer, 654. José M. Marquez, Manila Dec. 13, General. -- Brandao & Co.

Dec. 17, Activ, Danish steamer, 268, N. C. Revsbech, Haiphong Dec. 14, General. A. R. MARTY.

ARRIVALS. Doc. 17, Amatista, British steamer, 522, Ismlin, Manila Dec. 15 General - Rus-BELL & Co. -

DEPARTURES.

Doc. 17, Juniala, U. S. corvette, from

Dec. 16, Shun-on, for Whampon. 16, Pokjen, for Swatow, &c. 16, Alume, for Saigon. 16, Ping-on, for Holhow. &c. 16, Chi Yuen, for Swatow and Amoy. 16, Poo-chi, for Swatow. 16, Erl König, for Singapore. 16, Hwai Yuen, for Canton.

16, Fu-po, Chinese gunboat, for Foo-17, Kow-shing, for Canton 17, Stosch, German frigate, for a cruise. 17, Taichiow, for Swatow, &c. 17, Camorta, for Swatow and Amoy.

17, Ningpo, for Shanghai. 17, Glaucus, for Singapore, &c. 17. Diamante, for Amoy.

CLEARED.

Don Juan, for Amoy. PASSENGERS. ARRIVED.

Comet, for Taiwanfoo.

Coptic, for Bombay.

Per Glaucus, from Swatow, Miss Auderson for London; for Hongkong, Rev. Mr Shaw and Sutherland, and 309 Chinese. Per Takachiho Maru, from Kobe, &c., 2 Europeans, and 4 Chinese. Per Huai Yuen, from Shanghai, 73 Chi-

Per Don Juan, from Manils, Mr Lorenzo Calvo, and 90 Chinese. Per Activ, from Haiphong, 23 Chinese. DEPARTED.

Per Menmuir, for Brisbane, Mr H. P. Connant; for Adelaide, Mr H. H. Loxley for Sydney, 2 Europeans, and 109 Chinese for Australian Colonics. Per Japan, for Calcutta, Mr H. Cowar-

Per Fokien, for Swatow, &c., 100 Chi-

Per Alwine, for Seigen, 30 Chinese. Per Ping-on, for Hoihow, &c., 1 Euro-100 Chinese. Per Taichiow, for Swatow, &c., I European, and 100 Chinese. Per Camoria, for Swatow and Amoy, 60

Per Ningpo, for Shanghai, 2 Europeans, and 60 Chinese. Per Glaucus, for Singapore, &c., 1 Euro pean, and 282 Chinese. Por Diamanie, for Amoy, 2 Europeans, of 7.30 p.m.

and 50 Chinese. TO DEPART. Per Don Juan, for Amoy, 20 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The Japanese steamer Takachiho Maru reports: Moderate N. and N.E. winds and fine weather throughout. The Chinese steamer Huai Yuen reports: 16th. Had fine weather and moderate

breeze throughout. The British steamer Amatista reports Moderate monsoon and fine weather throughout. On the 16th inst. at 12.30 a.m., passed H. M. gunboat Fly bound

1,168 ibs. Sorts—total 168,510 ibs. enough to believe they will be able to make Tea. 287 pkgs. Sundries, 2 bales Silk it a popular and abiding institution in Piece Goods, 236 bales Waste Silk, and The subscription is twenty rupees per hama, 179 pkgs. Sundries. From Manila, 1,469 bags Coffee, and 347 bales Hemp.

> POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For SHANGHAL Per Wingsang, ot 3.30 p.m., on Thurs day, the 18th inst. For MANILA.

Per Amatista, at 4.30 p.m., on Thurs day, the 18th inst. For HOLHOW AND HAIPHONG. Per Activ, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, th

1141 For NAGASAKI AND KOBE. Per Takachiho Maru, at 3.30 p.m., Friday, the 21st inst.

For SAIGON .-

Per Ocean, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, th MELBOURNE .--

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.— French Contract Packet Sindh this affair, timply because there were no will be despatched on TUESDAY, independent witnesses present. the 18th December, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, vid Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (via Madras), the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and

the Mails, &c.

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> At No. 81. Yokohama, on December 2nd, Captain EDWARD PIEROE, late of the schooner Penelope.

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The China Minil.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 17. 1883.

It is now almost certain that news will be received by the next steamer from Left Shanghai at 0.10 a.m. on the 13th, Haiphong of severe fighting in Tonarrived in Hongkong at 9.30 a.m. on the | quin. Our special correspondent at Hanoi, writing on the 12th instant. stated that on the previous day, over five thousand French troops, with eight hundred native auxiliaries and fifty-six pieces of artillery, had marched out of Hanci to attack Sontai. This was six days ago. It is most, probable that by this time the attack has taken place. Per S. S. Agamemnon, to London, sailed At the present moment there are but two on 9th December :- 110,843 lbs. Scented special correspondents for English papers prietors meet with the support they con- Caper, 56,505 ibs. Scented Orange Pekoe, either in Hanoi or in Tonquin. They are the representatives of the London Daily News and of this journal. It is to be regretted that the French military authorities prevented both these representatives of English journals from proceeding to the front with the troops, and that they have had to follow the advancing force on their own responsibility, and apparently without any authorisation. They will have to furnish an account of these operations, and if they have not been placed in a position to write of what occurs as eye-witnesses, they will have to base their descriptions of the fighting on the best information obtainable. Admiral Courbet gained nothing whatever by refusing to allow newspaper correspondents to secompany his expedition to Hué. Some glowing accounts of the fighting there were in the first instance given to the world, but these were speedily followed by statements that the French scilors LAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNS. had exhibited the most barbarous com-VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, AND duct on the occasion, the result being that the attack upon Hue will have no Per Naples, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, the reliable chronicling in history, while the French navy will experience the greatest difficulty in clearing its reputation

from the reproaches cast upon it over

We have very little doubt that this at-

tack upon Sontai will prove successful.

But, with the fall of Sontai, the campaign in Tonquin is likely merely to take a fresh departure. If the Black Flags and their allies are driven from usual hours will be observed in closing their positions with anything less than a crashing defeat, they will merely fall back to carry on harassing attacks upon the French troops in the higher The British Contract Packet Kaisar-i-Hind and more difficult country. Bacninh. will be despatched on TUESDAY, the probably the stronger position of 25th December, with Mails for the the two, also remains to be cap-United Kingdom, Europe, and countries tured. A writer in St. James's Gabeyond, vid Brindisi; to the Straits Settle-ments, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, zette recently depicted this place as being capable of offering but a poor defence to European troops. We onestion very much if his assertion that Bacainh was garrisoned by Chinese regular troops prior to the commencement of the French operations in Tonquin is accurate, but it is certainly not The following hours are observed in closing a fact that the present defences of Bachink are feeble. The account published in the London paper is, in Day before departure (or Saturday of the defact, based altogether on historical and onfiguated data. In the issue of the Post Office closes, except the Saigon paper of the 4th instant, Night Box, which is always we find, for instance, some particulars of the formidable defensive preparations now existing at Backinh. Strong entrenchments defend the approaches. The walls of the place have been strengthened, and inconted with Krupp guns. A.M. Mails closed, except for Late Inside the first defensive works four other lines of entrenchments have been 11.10 A.M. - Letters may be posted with constructed, the defensive arrangements of which are well planted, and well supplied with guns. The Chinese Government has, indeed, practically admitted that it has itself taken the defences on board the packet with Late of Bachinh in hand, both as regards de-Fee of 10 cents until time of fensive works and the supply of troops,

#### TELEGRAMS.

Sontai Admiral Courbet also avoids

giving China her asserted easus belli.

London, December 14. The hillmen are threatening Suakim. Baker Pasha will take the command of an expedition fitting out, consisting of 8,000 Egyptian troops.

LONDOM, 15th December. Parliament is summoned to meet for the despatch of business on Tuesday, the 5th Foornary, 1884.

The Governor of Dongola telegraphs to Cairo that Hicks Pasha is safe.

Pasis, 15th December. thousand additional reinforce ments are ordered to Tonquin under Gonexal Millot.

M. Forry, the French Promier, has asked the Chambers for a supplementary credit of ment. twenty millions for Tonquin.

#### LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next Francis Mark, per the M. M. steamer Ava, passed Cape St. James on the 14th instant, at 4.30 a.m., and may be expected to arrive here on or about to-morrow morning, the 18th in-

The next English Mail, per the P. & O. stoamer Hyduspes, left Singapore or Friday, the 14th Dec., at 6 p.m., and may be expected to arrive here on or about Friday, the 21st instant.

The next American Mail, by the City Peking, left Yokohama on Saturday, the 15th instant, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 21st instant.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Jason left Singapore on the 12th instant; due here on or about to-morrow. The D. D. R. S. S. Hesperia left Singapore on the 12th instant; due here on or

about the 19th instant. The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's steamship Urion left Singapore on the 14th instant; due here on or about the 21st

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer . Ulysses left Singapore on the 14th inst.; due here on or about the 21st instant.

THE British barque Walls Castle will load timber in the ports of Tayabas and Lagui-

manoc for Hongkong. H. B.M's. gunboat Fly, Commander Hope, arrived at Manila on the 12th instant, from

Borneo and Paragua. THE S. S. Junais went to Cosmopolitan Dock to-day, and the Annettin goes to

Kowloon Bock to-morrow. WE have to acknowledge the receipt of the calendar and almanac issued by the Royal Insurance Company from Messrs Melchers

& Company, the Agents.

The Japanese Government have set the good example of remitting 10,000 francs for the relief of the sufferers by the catastrophe at Ischia.

His Excellency the Governor will present the prizes to the successful scholars attending the Hongkong Public School at St. Paul's College at 11 o'clock next Saturday

DRUNKEN sailor lost his medal for the Perak war a night or two ago. Lukong No. 310 managed to get hold of it, from the coolie who "annexed" it, and the case will be heard on the 19th inst.

Owing to the Regatta on Saturday, which interfered considerably with the ordinary interesting extracts will be made from work of the office, one or two obvious those of less general interest but nevertheprinter's errors in Father Berthon's letter passed uncorrected:

THE section of trainway between Tondo and S. Gabriel in Manila was officially inaugurated on Saturday, the 8th instant and the time tables, &c., in connection with the enterprise, was published in the Gaceta of the 12th instant.

THE Chinese at Canton are, we hear, busy taking the heavy gun out of one of the alphabetical gunboats, and mounting it in the Bogue Forts. A formidable Krupp gun replaces the monster cannon in the gunboat.

WE hear that Messrs T. Glass and F. Grimble have arranged & sculling match, mented on. Then follow several pages of but have not yet decided the date on notices of new books. These are succeed. which it will take place. The sculling race | ed by the "cream" of the reviews, occupy. on Friday was altogether unsatisfactory, ing over 140 pages out of the 208 of which and squeezing. Now, however, that Mr. and we are glad to hear that another op- the reading matter in the number consists. be given of judging the A clear and concise summary of the events the model settlement will have a model merits of these two rowers.

had the misfortune to take the ground off the Coast of Locaning. For some time no assistance was rendered her, but latterly the Remulus was sent out, and, after some hard work, succeeded in extricating her from the perilous position in which she stood, and placed her in safe anchorage. The Sea Witch had on board at the time need turn his attention to Bacninh 506,094 kilogrammes of sugar, and 913,501

THE British steamer Iolani, which was stranded on the Panagatau Reef on the night of the 31st October last, has arrived at Manila from Iloilo. The work of removing her from the reef was undertaken by Sres. D. Antonio Hidalgo and Birchal Robinson & Co.; and for this purpose the steamers Romeo, Luzon, Serantes and Ordonez were engaged. After all the water had been pumped out of her, Mr Sandi, the engineer of the Luzon, examined the engines and found they could be set in motion. This taken off the reef by the motive power supplied by her own engines. As she came off the reef, the other vessels saluted her. The Idani was 36 days under water.

We are very glad to learn that Mrs Fincham continues to progress satisfactorily towards recovery. The most serious injury she has received will most likely prove to be the shock to her nervous system. We Fritz A. Brockelman believe the Daily Press is in error in saying her assailant was convicted some years | Herbert F. Dent ago of a robbery at Dr Eastlacke's house; if he is the same boy who was defended by Mr. Dennys, in July 1879, for that offence, he was acquitted. If all accounts in cir. J. Ruff culation respecting his past career are, however, well founded, it would be a pity to say anything in support of his character. We have enjoyed a remarkable immunity G. Prat from offences of this description in Hongkong, and we trust and believe we shall continue to do so if a proper example is made of this rescal in the way of punish-

In addition to the information regarding affairs in Tonquin contained in our correspondent's letter, we learn that Haiduong, which was recently fiercely; attacked by Chinese, is now garrisoned by 350 marines. mandant Beaumont, of the Kersqinti force of marines was originally 500, Admiral Courbet requisitioned 150 to join cumbed to his wounds. the forces which have marched on Sontal. Commandant Beaumont has at his disposal two large pieces of artillery, and three smaller ones. All launches and boats have been taken away to assist in conveying the troops and stores from Hanoi to Sontai. s positively known that there are from 3.000 to 4.000 Chinese troops established in an almost unassailable position within 25

Owing to saveral powerful counter-attrac-Theatre on Saturday evening to witness the second performance of "Our Boys" by the one. During the first act, the play seemed to go rather stifly, but in the second, the actors warmed up to their work, and carried their audience with them. It is needless to say that the actors filled their respective on Wednesday. rôles effectively. The rendering of "Our Boys "by the Loftus Croupe would compare favourably with that of some of the best companies in London, and would certainly put to shame the representations seen on the stage of some theatres in the larger provincial towns in Britain. "Fritz, our cousin German," is promised for Wednesday evening, Mr Jeff D'Angelis taking the part of Fritz. We imagine Mr D'Angelia will make a very successful exponent of

the emigrant. By one of the late mails we received a copy of the first number of a new monthly called the Indian Review, edited by Messrs F. J. Rowe, M. A., and W. T. Webb, M. A.\_ and published in Calcutta by Mr W. H. Targett, 4, Waterloo Street. The scope and They do not carry their heads up and intention of this review, as explained by the editors, is to point out, from month to month, to those persons whose time for reading is limited, the nature of the articles contained in the best reviews of Europe and America. The gist and essence of some of the best articles contained in these reviews will be reproduced, while short and less possessing great merit, -in fact the wheat will be pointed out from the chaft,books of general and particularly Indian interest will be reviewed; there will be original articles on questions of the day, political, literary or social; and a summary of the most important events in literature, kong is excellent. As far as my knowscience and politics, that occur during the ledge is concerned, no such odious charges month will also be given. The present number of the Review contains three original kong secret agents. The great city articles, one on Anglo-Indian Verse by Mr Wobb, one of the editors; another on the Rent Bill and the semindars, and a third and shorter one, entitled "the Pity of it," in which the meeting which was held by Anglo-Indians in St. James Hall on the 25th June to consider the Ilbert Bill is comhai, the force of which, especially the native portion, both detectives and police. is constantly accused of receiving bribes

The French have, we believe acted Tue American ship Sea Witch, on leaving neral notices completes the contents of the fear of a war between France and China. Manila for New York on the 4th instant, number. The work is one which ought to

> For further particulars regarding the publication we would refer our readers to an advertisement in another column.

WE are glad to be able to announce that the energetic action of Captain 8. Goggin the genial and obliging master of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's steamer Kinngchow, in bringing down so promptly the information regard-. ing the riot at Canton, has been recognised in a tangible manner by the foreign community on Shameen. To-day, we had the pleasure of seeing a handsome silver set, which has just been presented to Captain Goggin. The present was accompanied by the following letter and signatures:-

Canton, 15th Nov., 1883. To Captain S. Goggin, S.S. Kiungchow, Dear Sir .

We, the undersigned, beg your acceptance of the accompanying small token as a slight recognition of your good services and exertions in conveying to Hongkong, under exhe succeeded in doing, and the Iolani was ceptional circumstances, the news of the disastrous disturbance which occurred at this port on the 10th September last: We fully appreciate the exertion and energy displayed by you for the good of this community, and thanking you for your zeal on the above-named occasion and wishing you a long and prosperous career.

We are, Dear Sir, yours faithfully Chas J. Lafrentz D. La Montagno G. D. Fearon Freak Salinger C. W. B. von Bose H. Janns Th. Von. Pustau Von Ketteler O. Seaton E. A. Raven R. M. Gray Charles Seymour J. Remusat F. E. Woodruff Edward W. Mitchell M. L. Leboedelin H. Schroeter O. Tiberii R. Combey Pr O'Brion Butler P. Ristelhueber

J. Kramer T. B. Cunningham R. W. H. Wood

DURING a cricket match at Yesdon, near Bradford, Mr Albert Dennison was accidentally killed. He was at the wickets when a ball bowled to him struck him on the temple, and he fell back into the arms of the wicket-keeper, dead. Deceased was a member of the Yeadon School Board.

THE Japan Herald's translation of the Hochi Shimbun says that an attempt was made, on the 23rd ultimo, by the criminals inprisoned in the military jail at Akasaka, and 150 Annamite tirailleurs under Com- Tokio, to escape from it. This was, how-The ever, speedily subdued by the guards, but one of four prisoners who were wounded by the jailers is said to have immediately suc-

THE Nagasaki paper says that on Tuesday. tho 4th inst., the German man-of-war Leipzig arrived at that port from Corea, having on board the German Minister Plenipotentiary and Consul-General, Mr. Zappe and staff We hear that the new treaty between Ger many and Corea was signed on the 29th ult. and we are given to understand that by it much more favourable terms have been seeured than those contained in last year's kilometres of Haiduong. These troops are treaty. The treaty negotiations having been carried on conjointly with those conducted by Sir Harry Parkes, on behalf of Her Britannic Majesty's Government, the two documents were signed on the same tions, the audience which assembled in the day. The Leipzig left Jenchuan on 1st inst. and called at Fusan, en route. Mr. W. G. Aston, the newly-appointed British Consul at this port, who from his extensive know Leftus Tronpo was by no means a large ledge of Corea and the Corean language. was specially detached to assist Sir Harry Parkes at the treaty making, also came over passenger by the Leipzig. H. B. M.'s corvette Sapphire left Jenchuan the day previous to the Leipzig, and, after conveying Sir Harry Parkes to China, she arrived here

> WRITING to the N.-C. D. News, from Hongkong, a correspondent says :- I am now in a British Colony, and have taken it into my head to study the police organization. As you know, the Hongkong police is composed of Europeans, Sikhs and Chinese, and I must say the whole force is by far superior to that of Shanghai. The Europeans of course are able men who dare to do their duty : they face danger, and are good disciplinarians. The Sikhs get plong very well with the Chinese, and are by no means rough, as was charged upon them by some ratepayers at the last meeting. They do their work effectually in keeping order on the streets and putting down disturbances. They can talk a little Chinese : they learn the language faster than Europeans, and they pick up some English too. The native police, when compared with the Shanghai Chinese, are really admirable. flourish their clubs as if ready to strike on the slightest provocation. They are orderly, and I have not heard them use one foul word. I have visited some most crowd ed and ill-reputed streets, when native police and Sikhs have been standing about in dozens, and I have not seen a single baton pulled out of the leathern case, which is attached to the belt. The Shanghai Chinese police consider themselves far above their own countrymen, while the native force here know their duty and put on no airs. I have inquired of some respectable Chinese much to which one can take exception. gentlemen their opinion concerning the Sikhs, and they say that the Sikhs have proved excellent police and that they did not see why they should not prove as good police in the Shanghai settlement. They have nothing to complain of in the native constables either, but, on the contrary, say that they are a serviceable and dutiful set of men. The detective system of Hongas have been made against the Shanghai detectives have been applied to the Hong-Canton sends hordes of criminals and old offenders into Hongkong, and it is marvellous how crimes are detected and brought to justice. There are ever 700 men in the police force in the Colony to keep order, and that is about 500 more - last two or three years in Canton he could mon than at Shanghai. But the very fact that so large a number of men, composed of three nationalities, is free from the slightest charge of corruption, shows far superior management to that of Shang-

and the money market in very light. The Viceroy Chang is working hard on the harbour defences of Canton. Admiral P'eng has arrived at Canton with 10,000

#### THE FRENCH MILITARY OPE RATIONS IN TONQUIN.

ADVANCE INSPORCE ON SONTAL. ATTACK ON MANOI FROM BACKINH SIDE

. Hanoi, 12th Dec. I have only time, before the departure of

the Tonking for Haiphong, to write a few The long expected advance in force towards Sontal was made yesterday morning. The Turces and Fereign Legion and part of the marine infantry marched out of the citadel about daylight for Phalan, the advanced post and base of operations while the marine, proper, or marine fu- the above made punishable. sileers, as they are called, the Annamite tirailleurs, naval brigade, artillery, &c., were embarked between six and ten o'clock in the morning, on board the gunboats, transports, launches and junks, which had been collected here for the purpose, and started for Phalan at about 10.30. The total of the force which has taken the field, including some eight hundred Tonquinese militia, is six thousand men, with fifty-six pieces of artillery, and eight gunboats of various classes. Five companies of infantry, under the command of Colonel Brionville, and one gun-boat, the Surprise, have been left for the protection of Hanoi. This is generally considered far too small a force for the purpose, and an attack from the Bacninh side is fully anticipated. Operations against Sontai are expected to be commenced at an early hour to-morrow morning. In company with another special correspondent here, I applied to Colonel Badans, the chief of the staff of Admiral Courbet, for permission to accompany the troops to the front, on the afternoon of the 10th. He informed us that he did not know if the advance was to be made, and said he could not give us any answer until the following afternoon Of course by that time he was gone, well as the Admiral, who went up to Phalan in the Pluvier. - We trust, however, to get

to the front to-morrow morning. Intelligence has been received here, by a private letter, that the King of Annam has been assassinated at Hue by some of the adherents of the hostile, or mational

M. Harmand leaves here to-morrow or next day, Isbelieve for Europe.

Police Intelligence. (Before Capt. H. G. Thomsett, R. N.) Monday, Dec. 17.

DISORDERLY. Joseph Swartz, hailing from Austria, was charged this morning with misbehaving niniself at the Temperance Hall, and asever, the manager, Mr Pugh, did not appear. River, and saw many remarkable things. he case was dismissed.

(Before H. E. Wolchouse, Esq.)

Ho Alum admitted cutting flowers the Government gardens. He said wanted to make medicine from them for Fined \$1 or three days' impri-

### (Both Magistrates Sitting.)

Li Achi was brought up before both magistrates, on remand, to-day, for stealing carrings, valued at \$16, the property of Chinese prostitute. He was sentenced to two years' hard labour.

### Canton.

(From a Correspondent.)

Canton, Dec. 17th. So far as actual disturbances are concorned, Canton is fairly quiet, but the effect of the past excitement is now being felt in the surrounding country, and news reaches us that this and the other city is considerably distracted.

The circular sent round some days ago, requesting foreigners not to go on the wall, as it is reserved for military purposes, exclusively appears to have been interpreted by the people, to mean that foreigners are not allowed inside the city.

One cannot go through the streets yet without hearing threats of decapitation very strongly expressed. I think the action of the foreign Consuls has not been sufficiently decisive. Your contemporary, the Daily Press, had a strong letter the other day, denouncing the weak and vacillating policy of the foreign representatives. Though something has been done there is Complaisance to the Chinese is taken as sign of cowardice, and patience is interpreted as an evidence of weakness, and "to be weak is miserable, doing or suffering." Prevention is a word which seems to be ex- which generally consisted of ingots or shoes Sunged from diplomatic circles here, and redress a thing so indefinite that it appears hopeless. Sir S. Northcote, in his recent Belfast address, said "that now, the safest thing an English citizen, who gets into could do would be to conceal the fact that not have expressed himself more aptly. the streets of Ganton with the foulest and done. "If you had been wounded or tions of a superintendent, it is to be hoped | Britisher applied to him for protection, "I of the month is then given, and a few ge- police. Chinese merchants are still in great could do something for you, but seeing you self combaratively safe. Our entertainer I pretended to read a novel. They swam to

nothing." The policy of the self-seeking, arrogant, benighted, mandarin has become the policy of the most enlightened and benoticent Government of the world.

I walked through the streets the other day and a butcher held up his knife for a moment and then brought it down with considerable energy on his counter, at the same time calling out "Shat." know that I object to be killed any more than most men, but if I am to shuffle off my mortal coil by such means, I prefer to do so under circumstances attended by more kudos than receiving my quietus at the hands of a Chinese butcher or coolic.

I resent insult with all the ardour of a true born Englishman, and if I can get redress for a similar threat at home, why not here? The objectionable "foreign devil" ought to be repressed and such threats as

I heard the other day that Canton was being provisioned. Coolies were running in and out of the City like auts, but when we consider the number of soldiers quartered here it is not surprising that they should consumo fair quantities of rice and dried

Tientsin. The position of affairs relating to Annam and Tonquin has had its effect on business at this port. Yet very little has been heard or said in regard to it. It has been known that H.E. Li was busy with coast defences. but most of the Chinese seem to know and care nothing about matters in the south. It was surmised, before your last papers reached here, that more was doing than appeared on the surface, but it was kept remarkably secret. Within the last two or three days, several Chinese cash-shops or banks have closed. For some time there has been a great scarcity of copper cash; and sycee, and also the Mexican, has been falling in the market. The only reason for this depreciation that I can got from the Chinese is, that there is "no cash to be had." How much the difficulties in the south have to do with it, I do not know. Three gunboats-British, American and Russian are now here for the winter. is beginning to run heavy, and navigation will soon be closed. The last two or three weeks have been exceptionally cold for November, but it will not be strange if the river is open here till Christmas, for the current is strong and the water high; owing to drainage from the plain. It will jam and close in the bends below us before it closes here. The Vicercy was expecting to winter in Pac-ting Fu, but he may be ordered south at any moment to assume the direction of affairs there.—N. U. D. News.

AN EPISODE OF THE TAIPING REBELLION.

From an old scrap-book; obligingly placed at our disposal by the person principally concerned, and the author of the narrative. we collate the following particulars of an episode, one of many in which foreigners figured, more or less advantageously to them selves, in that great Chinese rising, now out of date by nearly five lustres, which threat ened to unseat the Manchu dynasty, and establish a purely Chinese Government in

Probably I shall never forget, in the

course of my abode on this sphere, what happened to me in the summer of 1863, when I saulting the manager of the place. As, how- was cruising up and down the Shanghai gone to see him in obsdience to his order?" And the boy went out whistling "She's a One sultry autumn evening an acquaintonce and myself started up the river with march his armies on Shanghai and capture a cargo of onium. Our boat was manned by Chinese oarsmen, and we intended to barter sition he would behead all the white men he our freight for silk at a fair rate of prefit. The country was literally overrun by rebels who had broken out of Nanking and occupied, without resistance, all the towns and villages that they encountered on their line of march. Unbeknown to us, a certain Chineso gentleman had shipped with the crew on board our vessel. It turned that he was a go-between, acting for and not feel completely safe until we anchored selling Imperialists and rebels alike in equal capacity. Spy as he was, he was no ordinary individual. The type of his countenance was-pure Tartar; and it was soon apparent to us that he was some person of note. He had been smuggled into our craft during the night, and had never ventured, during the daytime, to show his head above the

side of the boat. We started up river late one evening in our covered boat, with a fair tide. Our men pulled all night, so that the following morning we arrived in a territory which had shortly before fallen into the occupation of the rebels. As we entered a carial leading to a Chineso city. I became melancholy, I confess, thinking that our heads were in great peril, and that nothing more might be heard of us. Up to this time no unprotected foreigner had ever been known to jater says the skin has not stopped peeling have any intercourse, or even interview, off his shoulders yet. What caused you to with the insurgents; so that we could not imagine what reception we were likely to meet at their hands. We were aware, boy, as he looked with disdain on a waterhowever, that any Chinaman who was not on their side who might fall into their charms in October. "You see, the night hands was promptly decapitated.

Buddenly our uninvited passenger orderand some of the deacons were up in my ed the stoppage of the boat. Leaping on room, which they used that night for s to the bank of the canal, he cut a green smoking room, and while they were smokbamboo, which he fixed erect in the prow ing they were telling stories about what fun of the vessel,-evidently as a signal of they had when they were boys, and I rememamity. Theuce, as we passed along, we ber one story the minister told about finding were frequently hailed by soldiers, who some girls in swimming once, and stealing distinguishing our vivid peace signal let us their clothes, and making them wait till

The nearer we approached the wall of up with newspapers and go home and the city the more frequent became the hails send a wagon after the rest of the from the shore, and our progress was fre- girls. The minister thought it was quently arrested by sentinels who wished swful cunning, so when the church to purchase arms at any price. The had the pic-nic last summer on the bank, zents were literally weighed down and ex- all, don't it, how a boy will remember hausted by their loads of spotl. cities, containing hundreds of thousands of inhabitants, had been plundered, and each Taining soldier received a share of the loot, of gold and silver, bound fast to the loins

with rich garments of silk. One regulation prevailing in the rebel the girls had been wearing to wash dishes. camps was that any person found smoking and a shawl, and stole a hat belonging to opium should be summarily beheaded. the soprano of the choir, and a red paragol Hence we decided not to attempt any drug- that a girl left under a tree, and I went business: and had to resort to all manner down in the woods and put on the clothes. difficulties or into a dangerous position of subterfuges to conceal the nature of our over my pants and things, and when pa cargo in order to preserve not only it, but and the minister had got in the water and tens, kept in the open air in a shaded situation. our necks. Our pretences, I have reason were swimming around, I put up he is an Englishman; he is less likely to be to believe, however, were transparent; for parasol and tripped along the shore like a insulted." If Sir Stafford had passed the one of the rebel chiefs addressed us sternly, girl picking flowers, and when I came to "What !" said he, "you bring opium to the stump where they put their clothes I my men to demoralise and poison them, didn't look toward the water, but acted and I let you go away with your heads tired, and sat down on the stump and Every day the Englishman is insulted in on your shoulders | Be off at once and began to fan myself. You'd a died to see bring us a boat-load of fire-arms!" For pa look. He crawled up on the beach, obvious reasons we promised to do as we the shallow water, and said, Elder, do you P. Passing shows most abominable language, as well as daily were bid; but I never entertained the see that? The elder looked, with hisself S. Snow. threatened with death, and yet nothing is intention of committing the grave sin of all under water except his head, and, V. Visibilly fulfilling it. Meanwhile, we were invited Merciful goodness, equire, we are in teres are to dine with the "King" of the City of for it. That interesting female is going mean a J. P. McEuen is going to assume the func. | killed," said a Chinese mandarin when a Quensan. Our go between also sat at the to sit there and read a novel through table of this warrior; and while we were bufore she goes away. I peeped through how thus under the wing of the spy, I felt my the fan and could hear all they said, while the

are neither killed nor wounded I can do were the vellow silken Peking Court-dress, around, and made a noise, but I was deaf. my best to comply with.

> of the empire the duty discharged by roads walked off very indignant, and went back to in Europe. The suburbs of the great city the picnic and returned the clothes, and presented a most melancholy aspect. Ruined pretty soon they came up, looking as red and described warehouses, still full of mer; as if they had been drinking, and the chandize, met the eye in all directions. pic-nic was ready to go home. Somebody Desolation and silence prevailed. The only told pa it was me, but I don't know who it inhabitants left alive appeared to be some | was that give it away. Anyway, he chased half-starved old women and famishing dogs. me clear out to the woods with a piece of When we touched the shere for a few sapling: That was the time I told you I minutes some half-a-dozen or more poor was too tired to ride, and walked home beldames limped towards us, with their from the pic-nic. Pa has forgiven me, but aprons raised, and begged for a morsel of I don't believe the minister over will. rice. Their bones nearly pierced their Don't you think some of these pious folks skin : they were too did to flee with the are awful unforgiving?" rest of the people and had been left behind to starve. Our Chinamen paid no and I are," said the grocery man, as he attention to their heart-rending appeals. watched the boy making a speak on a I hauled out a bag of rice from our bunch of grapes. "But did you go to the stock and served out a good measure circus?" a piece to the supplicants; and I felt none the less happy that my good action, if I And it is a wonder I am not there yet. But may call it so, was done in direct opposi- whatever you do, don't sak pa if he was at tion to the wish of our native crow, and the circus, cause he will kill you. You see that of my foreign comrade, who was a silk pa and I drove up to the race track, where inspector of Shanghai and accustomed to the circus was, in the evening, and after fare and live luxuriously every day. He circus was out, we waited to see the ment remarked, heartlessly, that he had no pity take the tents down, and after they had for these attenuated wretches. I trust gone, we started to drive home. It was that God forgave him for his selfishness, darker than a squaw's pocket, and I drove and had mercy on his soul; as he long lies out on the race track, and the old race used buried beneath the sed of the Shanghai to be a racer, and he picked up his ears. cemetery. Two miles from the scene of Pa took the lines and said he would drive. our encounter with the old women we cause we were out pretty late, and ma reached the wall of Soochow-a city which | would be nervous. I told pa I didn't beis surrounded by water, bridges affording | lieve he was on the right track but he said he secess from the suburbs to the gates of the guessed nobody could fool him about the town. Were not allowed to enter the road to town, and bless me if he didn't place, until our arrival had been reported drive around that track about eight times to the "Chung Wang" or Southern King. Every time we passed the grand stand, In the meanwhile, awaiting the pleasure of which pa couldn't see, on account of his this potentate, we anchored close to the oyes, I laffed, but I thought if he knew the bank of the canal, and were soon road so confounded well I could ride as visited by crowds of rebels, attired in long as he could. After we had rode gorgeous silks, part of the spoil of the around the track about eight miles, and I city which had just been pillaged. If was getting sleepy, I mildly suggested that ever there was a chance for a smart may be he had better stop at a Jew trader with money it was here. Worn house and inquire the way to town, out soldiers were basking in the sun, pa got mad and asked me if I took him for wenry of carrying with them the bulky loot | a fool. Then he drove around a couple of of the rich cities they had sacked, and only | times more, and the man that keeps the anxious to barter their loot for arms. We track he came out with a lantern and said were incessantly solicited for knives, swords, [ hello ! Pa stopped and asked him what firearms, and ammunition, in exchange for he wanted and he said, 'O, nothin,' and pa the heavy weight of gold and silver, and drove on and told him to mind his business. stores of jewels and other wealth, borne by | We went around the track again, and when the insurgents in sashes of priceless silk | we got to the same place the man was there bound round their loins. We had naught | and I guess pa thought it was time to inof what they required, and could do no | quire the way, so he pulled up, and asked trade. I gave one man about an ounce of the man what he was doing there, and the opium, and, without the slightest hint on man said he was minding his own business my part at a return, he pressed upon my Pa asked him if we were on the right road acceptance a fur-coat worth £30. I should to town, and the man said if we wasn't in state here that we were the first Europeans | any hurry he would like to have us drive on to visit Soochow since its capture by the the track all night, as it was a little heavy.

The morning following our advent we the first left hand road. Well, pa was mad were summoned to the presence of the and he wanted to know why I didn't tell Chung Wang. My companion, taking his him we were on the track, but I told him he boy" to act as interpreter, went to the seemed to know it all and it was dangerous august presence. I was feverish and remain- to advise a man who knew it all. He didn't ed behind : and heard after from my friend speak all the way to town, but when we put the details of the interview. The chief was lout the horse he said. Hennery, if this seated in all his glory, attired in yellow silk thing gets out your pa will have the reputarobes such as only the Emperor of China I tion of being drunk. If you tell of it you and members of his family are supposed to | are no friend of mine. So I shall not say year. Among the first questions posed by anything about it, cause it is a mean boy him was one to the effect, "Why had I not | that will go back on his pa. and he appeared satisfied with the explana- Daisy." tion tendered. He said he was about to that city; and if he met any foreign oppo-

This was not alarming intimation for us as we knew that both foreigners and Chinese were preparing a warm reception for his forces if they did move upon Shanghai We were not sorry to be allowed to leave rebel territory unmolested, as we knew no how soon a battle might be fought, and did off the wharves of the Model Settlement. --

### THE BAD BOY.

THE BOY TELLS ABOUT HIS PA AND THE MINISTER-ALSO, ABOUT GETTING ON THE WHONG BOAD.

"Say, you think of about everything mean there is going, don't you?" said the groceryman to the bad boy, as he came in to show that his black eye had been cured. "The minister explained to me yesterday how you caused him and your father to lay and soak in the water for about three hours one hot day last summer, in the lake, and they both blistered their backs. The minplay such a mean trick on them?" "Oh, it was their own fault." said the

melon that was out of soason, and had no

the sociable was at our house. the minister

pass with the intimation that all was we'l night, and then a girl had to fix herself anything like that | Well, after dinner I saw pa whisper to the minister, and they took a couple of towels and a piece of soap, and started off up to the lake about half amile, and I knew they were going in awimming. Well, it don't take me very long to

and was extremely affable and hospitable, and I thought it wasn't any worse for me For instance, I remember his taking, with to sit on the stump than it was for the his chopsticks, a tid-bit of from his own minister, when he was a good little boy, plate, and, placing it in mine, saying that to steal the clothes of the girls. I stayed if I sintended to be a good friend of his I until I got tired, and didn't hear them must eat plenty-an intimation that I did when they hollered to me to go away, and, after a while they got water-soaked, and We slept that night in Quensan, and had to do something, so the minister broke sailed the next morning for Secchow, the off a piece of a tree and dressed himself capital of the province, where the insurgent in it, and came up towards me, and said. chief rated us soundly for bringing opium | Madame, excuso me for troubling you, within his jurisdiction. The July heat was but if you will go away while I get my intolerable; and the approach to Soochow | clothes, I will take it as a favor. I prowas all by water-canais doing in this part | tended to be insulted, and got up and

"Oh, people are not as good as you "Circus 1 Woll, I should assimilate.

Taipings, who were subsequently abundant- and he wanted to get it in condition to ly supplied with arms by foreign adven- speed the colts the next day, but if we had to go we could drive out the gate and take

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1	Saltco4					12 A. R. Marty	Haiphong	Cos'tan Dock
	Sea Gull	h Haydon	Amor. str.			CO 1 CD 1 4.75	washnone	
1	Selembria	c Fowler	Brit, str.			6 Russell & Co.		
3	Sindle 5	c Lequerré	Feli, str.			6 Messagories Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	To-morrow
1	Takachibo Maru4	c Nye	Japan, atr.			IGM, B. M. S. S. Co.	Nagasaki and Kobe	
	Tanais	c Vaquier	Fch. str.			15 Messagories Maritimes	Yokohama	
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.	Anna Bertha2	C Krause	Gor. bqc.			3 Siemssen & Co.	CO.	
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	Michell Selchan2	c Gerstenberg	Dan. bge.	447	Nov. 2	23 Wieler & Co.		
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	Omega2				h	29 Eduard Schallhass & Co.	i	
1	Oneida			B4 -75 W-6		27 Russell & Co.	New York	K'loon Dock
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	Spartan8	h Vincent	Amer. sch.	85		30 W. H. Ray		4
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## Her Britannic Majesty's Ships in the China Squadron.

Name.	· Rig.	Displt.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Albatross	composite screw sloop	940	4	840	Commander Chas. Hicks	Hankow
Audacious >	double-screw fron frigate	6010	14	4330	Captain R. E. Tracey	Hongkong
Champion	corvette	2380	14	2340	Captain A. T. Powlett	Hongkong
Cleopatra	corvetto	2300	14	2610	Captain H. N. Hippisley	Hongkong
Cockchafer	gunboat	465	4	470	Lieut. Com. Robt. L. Grooms	Chefoo
Curação .	corvetto	2383	14	2540	Captain Anstruther	Shanghai
Daring	composite sloop	940	4	920	Commander F. J. J. Eliott	Hongkong
Esk	double-screw gunboat	360	- 3	340	In reserve	Hongkong
Espoir ·	gunboat	430	4	455	Commander E. H. Gamble	Chinkiang
Flying Fish	sloop	940	4.	840	Lieut. Commander Hoskyn	Hongkong
Fly	double-scrow gun-vessel	640	4	490	Commander John Hope	Sandakan
Foxhound	gunboat	450	Ā	470	LicutCommander McQuhae	Foochow
Kestrel	double-screw gun-vessel	710	4	830	Commander E. Hotham	
Linnet	double-screw gun-vessel	767	, E	1050	Commander J. J. Jones	Tientsin
Magpie	surveying vessel	803	3	600	Lieut, Com. Vereker	Hongkong
Midge	double-screw gun-vessel	465	1 1	470	Commander Tisdale	Singapore
Orontes •		2570		31V		Hongkong
Pomes	troopship	1130	6	970	Captain H. G. Andoe	Hongkong
Pegasus .	composite screw sloop		12	0204	Commander Bickford	Singapora
Sapphire		1370	12	2360	Captain Fullerton	Nagasaki
Swift	double-screw gun-vessel	704	8	1010	Commander Wm. Collins	Canton
Twood	double-screw gunboat	360	3	340	In reserve	Hongkong
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	3087	20	1000	Commodore Cuming	Hongkong
Vigilant Wivern	paddle despatch-vessel	835	2	1230	LieutCom. Maxwell	Hongkong
Wivern	turret-ship	1800	4	1450	In resorve	Hongkong
Zephyr	gunboat	430	4	530	LieutCom. G. N. A. Pollard	Honokono
For H. B	5. M. Ships' tonnage, displace	omonts añ	d offect	vo horse j	powers are given according to H.	M. Navy list.

### Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	N.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
410.07	Thursday and a	14400	P-4	900		
Abreck	Russian aviso	1100	1 7	300	Captain Schanz	Vladivestock
Enterprise	American corvette	1375	9	900	Commander A. S. Barker	Cores
Ermak	Russian transport	1000	4	80	Captain Koltchau	Japan
Essox	American sloop	1375	6	1200	Captain McCormack	Canton
Gornostai	Russian gunboat	450	7	80	Commander Stark	Vladivostock
Hamelin	French cruiser		_	1 m	Commander Roustan	Tonquin
Iltis	German gunboat	420	8	100	Commander Klausa	Canton
Juniata	American corvetto	1900	-	_	Commander P. F. Harrington	Hongkong
Kersaint	French sloop	1182	-	875	Commander de Beaumont	Tonquin
La Victorieuse	French ironclad	4176	15	2214	Captain D. de la Batis	Hongkong
Legaspi	Spanish transport	1200	2		D. Ramon Valentin Buenaplata	Shanghai
Leipzig	German corvette	3000	16	400	Captain Herbig	Amoy
Lutin	French gunboat	437	4	100	Captain Rouvier	Canton
Monocacy	American sloop	1100	6	250	Commander C. S. Cotton	Shanghai
Morge	Russian gunboat	400	.7	80	Commander Moltaoff	Vladivostock
Najezdnick :	Russian corvette	1500			Captain Kalagerass	
Nerpa .	Russian gunboat	400	7	80	- Commander Valrondt	Japan Vladivostock
Opritehnik	Russian corvette	1400	_	_	Captain B. Ivashintsoff	Shanghai
Palos	American gunboat	300	8	200	LieutCommander Glidden	Chefoo
Pensacola	American frigate	3000			Captain H. Erben	Oneroo
Richmond	American frigate	2300	14	-500	Captain Skerrett	en soute Singapor Yokohama
Skobeleff	Russian corvette	2000	117		Captain Blanodareff	
Sobol	Russian gunboat	400	7	80	Commander Boyle	Yokohama
Stoseh	German frigate	2030	19	700	Com. Glomada von Buchholtz	Nagasaki
Tamega	Portuguese gunboat	410			Captain F. da Costa Cabral	Оп в сгиве
Tongous	Russian gunboat		. 2		Commander Heck	Macao
Tourville	•French steel frigate	5522	21	7466		Singapore
Triomphante	French ironclad	4176	14	2400	Captain Bose	Hongkong
Villars -	French corvette	2400	15	17	Captain Baux	Amoy
Volta	French corvette	1300		675	Captain Dewstre	Haiphong
Vostock	Russian gunboat	1000	. 1		Captain Fournier	Canton
Wolf	German gunboat	428	4	340	Commander Molchonsky Commander von Raven	Vladivostock Shanghai

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Name.	Guns.	Tons Displt.	H. P. Indi- cated.	Commander:	Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
An-lan	7	450	260	Lim Kwok-chung		# 144 # 144		
Chee-hing	2	80	20	Chinese	Hankow	1382	Ogston	Butterfield and Swire
Chen-jui Chen-to	7	80 450	17 260	Chinese	4.5			
Chop-chung	in B	500	300	J. Stewart Chinese	Honam	1377	diaments.	H., C. & M. S. bost On
Chop-si	3	320	200	Chinese	Kia Kiang	617	Benning, T.	H., C. & M. Sboat Co.
Hai-chong-ching	4	820	200	Chinese	- 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10 - 10		Dentuck, T.	EL, U. & M. SDOSE UD.
Hai-king-ching	8	450	310	Chinese	Kiang-ping	360	Holmes	O. M. S. N. Co.
Hai-tung-hung	3	350	200	Chinese	The granist .			
Lion-chi	8 1	220	180	Chinese	Kiungchow	159	Goggin	H., C. & M. Sboat Co.
Peng-chao-hai	* 2	800 150	500 100	Chinese				
Quang-on San-hing	3	150	100	Chinese Chinese	Powan	1890	Hoyland	H., C. & M. Sboat Co.
Sui-taing	4	350	180	Calder	White Cloud	280	Danish &	T 0 . 35 0 3 1 1 0
Tching-on	3 .	150	100	Chinese	TI JULE CIVILL	200	Benning, A.	H., C. & M. S. boat Co.
Tching-po	3	150	100	Chinesa	Votsai	180	Lefaviur	H., C. & M. S. bost Co.
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